HOUSE BILL 212

By Spivey

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 1, relative to Lung Cancer Awareness Month.

WHEREAS, lung cancer takes more lives annually than breast, prostate, colorectal, and pancreatic cancers combined; and

WHEREAS, in Tennessee, cancer of the lung and bronchus account for about one in three cancer-related deaths, making the research for an early diagnostic test and more effective treatments all the more important to help save lives; and

WHEREAS, Tennesseans should be better informed about diagnosis, treatment, and research relative to lung cancer; now, therefore,

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 1, Part 4, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

The month of November each year shall be designated as "Lung Cancer Awareness Month" in order to promote knowledge within the state concerning lung cancer diagnosis, treatment, and research.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.